

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 21, 22, 26, 27, 31, and 32 are pending in the application. Claims 1-20, 23-25, and 28-30 are canceled without prejudice. Claim 1 is amended.

Reexamination and reconsideration of the application as amended are respectfully requested.

SPECIFICATION OBJECTION

Specification is objected to for failing to provide proper antecedent basis for "a cable javomg USB joint interface" recited in previously presented claim 21.

In response, claim 21 is amended, and as amended does not recite the above objected feature. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the specification objection be withdrawn.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 21 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite. Specifically, the Office is rejected for reciting "a cable javomg USB joint interface."

Claim 21 is amended, and as amended does not recite the above rejected feature. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the § 112 rejection be withdrawn.

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claim 21 stands rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting over U.S. Patent 7,268,771 (the '771 patent).

In response, Application submits herewith a terminal disclaimer of any term extending beyond that of the '771 patent. Thus, claim is now in condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully requested.

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Claims 22, 26, 27, 31, and 32 depend directly or indirectly from claim 21, and are thus allowable at least per the allowance of claim 21. The allowance of claims 22, 26, 27, 31, and 32 is respectfully requested.

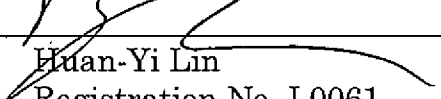
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the applicant suggests that the claims presently in the application are now in condition for allowance. Thus, a favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earlier convenience.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (310) 785-4600 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,
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